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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98,
Applicants identify the materials listed below and on the modified forms PTO-1449 accompanying this submission:

## U.S. PATENTS

4,691,783       Stern, et al.       September 8, 1987         5,065,140       Neuberger       November 12, 1991	Number	Inventor	<u>Date</u>
	4,633,082	Sauers	December 30, 1986
	4,691,783	Stern, et al.	September 8, 1987
	5,065,140	Neuberger	November 12, 1991
	5,162,652	Cohen, et al.	November 10, 1992
	5,294,794	Davies	March 15, 1994

## NON-U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Number	Country/Region	<u>Date</u>
0401861 0795749 926605 1571963 WO 97/05635	Europe (EPO) Europe (EPO) United Kingdom United Kingdom WIPO/PCT	December 12, 1990 September 17, 1997 May 22, 1963 July 23, 1980 February 13, 1997

Copies of the listed materials are enclosed. Applicants do not concede that the identified materials, or any of them, constitute prior art within the meaning of the United States patent laws.

Excepting U.S. Patent No. 5,065,140, each of the patent documents was cited in a Search Report in connection with a priority application for or related to the above-identified application. Applicants believe the non-English language documents may be relevant at least because so cited and because, based on either their English-language Abstracts or allegations of the Search Authorities, they disclose either methods of monitoring quality of filler gases in gas-filled installations or use of an ion-mobility spectrometer, respectively. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3).

Applicants are submitting this paper within three months of the filing of the application and accordingly believe no fee is due. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(1). However, if Applicants' belief is mistaken, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to debit deposit account No. 11-0855 for any such fee presently due.

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